



RROMAC MEETING MINUTES

September 18, 2008

Members:

Hal Ballard
James Burns
Robert Ewers
Ken Moyle
Matt Pihl
Gary Virgin
Lars Wahlstrom
Dave Vanasche

Staff:

Dave Schamp
Greg Clemmons
Keith Lewis
Victoria Saager
Stacia Sheelar
Todd Watkins
Joe Younkins

Absent:

Keith Fishback
Lanny Garland
Eldon Jossi
Wendy Mortensen

Guests:

Welcome

Bill Ewers called the meeting to order at 7:35 a.m. Hal Ballard motioned to approve the July minutes and Jim Burns seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Closure Planning for Rural Roads

Todd Watkins discussed the difficulty in coordinating with land owners when a road needs to be closed for repairs. We recently had a closure scheduled and due to the local farmer's wheat harvest, we had to reschedule. We want to make things work for everyone, but that is not always possible. Looking for someone or a group to run these projects by and get an idea of what is happening locally so we can avoid as much conflict as possible. It was suggested that the Farm Bureau be contacted. Someone may have to attend the meetings to get answers because the fax and email are not really options due to technical constraints.

Washington County/Metro Planning

Bill discussed a map showing the 'Proposed Urban and Rural Reserves Study Area'. Bill asked that more people get involved from the mid-level. A lot of higher ups making all the decisions and they may not know and/or understand the real issues in the rural areas. There is a meeting the first Monday of every month at the Beaverton Library at 1:30 p.m. for anyone interested in learning more. Bill Ewers will attend this meeting just prior to the WCCC meeting held immediately following.

Bicycle Safety

There is a bill being put before the legislature to have anyone involved in a vehicle accident (bikes, tractors, cars, etc.) that kills another person, be charged with vehicular homicide. More to come from Hal next month.

Gravel Road Upgrades

The County completed chip sealing of 8.68 miles of gravel road this season.

The comparison between MC250 vs. a high float medium soft (HFMS) emulsion has shown the HFMS to be a very viable substance at a much lower cost.

The October meeting will include a discussion and selection of the '09 gravel road upgrade candidates. Right now it's looking like Chalmers Ln. and Reiling Rd.

CPM Update

Cornelius Schefflin – North of Dairy Creek to Roy will be reopened by October 31 in time for the Verboort Sausage Festival. Dave Vanasche requested that there be a sign posted letting people know that the road is closed to through traffic at Susbauer so drivers don't continue past Susbauer when on Cornelius Schefflin. Susbauer is not a detour route, but traffic has increased significantly.

All MSTIP3 projects are complete except for 99/Hall. MSTIP3 is coming to a close with a zero balance projected for 2011 and a 'spend as you go' philosophy in 2012 and 2013.

Miscellaneous

Victoria presented a draft of the media release reminding drivers to be cautious of slow moving farm equipment.

Dave Schamp discussed potential budget cuts and how they may affect our maintenance program. We will be decreasing the amount of graders we have for gravel road maintenance sooner rather than later.

Joe Younkens announced that a new CPM Manager has been hired, Gary Stockhoff. Gary will be asked to attend next month's RROMAC meeting.

Hal Ballard shared an invitation to the Frans Pauwels Memorial Community Bicycle Center on Friday October 3- Sunday, October 5. The Community Bicycle Center has opened at 21785 SW TV Hwy, Suite J, Aloha, OR 97006.

Ken Moyle thanked the county for repairs on Daniel/Jacktown LID.

Hal Ballard motioned to adjourn and Gary Virgin seconded the motion.

Next Month

Transportation Development Tax (TDT) – Anne Madden
Traffic Update
CPM Update

Gravel Road '09 Candidate Selection